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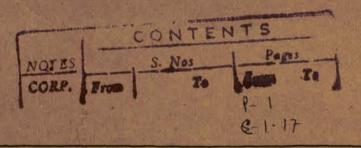
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Ref: letter dated the 16th November, 1978 from Mr. Tatsuo Hayashida.

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Sd/- H.S. Shah 21/11 "

Previous papers have been placed below.

JS(I) had acknowledged the earlier letters from Mr. Tatsumaru Sugiyama and Mr. Tatsuo Hayashida on the 27th June 1978. He had instructed that these papers be submitted on 17th July 1978. Unfortunately these papers had been misplaced and consequently could not be brought forward on the due date. The lapse is very much regretted

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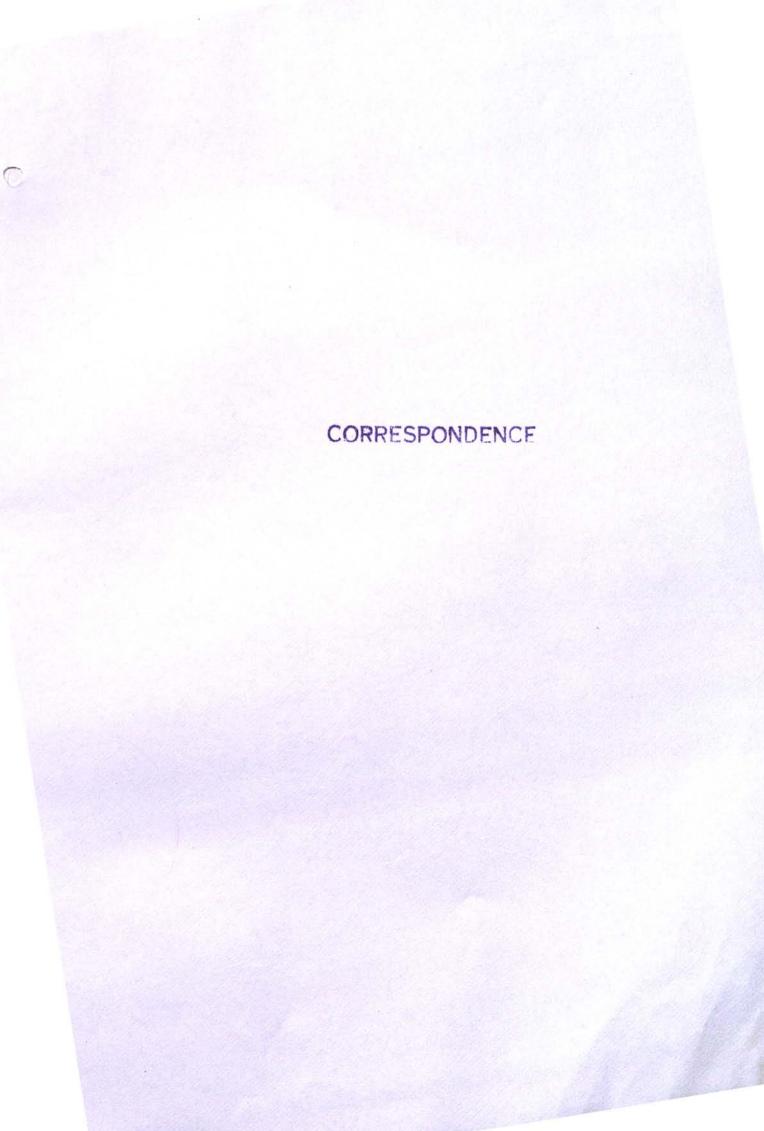
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Mr. H. S. Shah
Joint Secretary to Prime Minister
Prime Minister's Office
New Delhi-110011
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38 21st Street 3-chome Haruyosji Chuoku, Fukuoka Japan

November 16, 1978

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Dear Sir:

I really appreciate having received your letter of June 27. I am glad to hear that the Prime Minister will write to me in due time on the subject that I had brought up in my last letter. I have been looking forward to hearing from him. I do not mean to rush you at all, but just the same I have decided to write you just in case the matter has gotten lost in the shuffle. I am very sorry that I am bothering you, and I would like to ask you to accept my apology for this. I know full well that handling this kind matter requires a lot of time.

Prime Minister's letter on this matter would be a source of inspiration to all the people here who share my feelings about Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. The interest among the Japanese people in having Netaji's ashes sent back to his fatherland for permanent resting is increasingly becoming higher. Probably, this is just a Japanese mentality that does not apply to other peoples with different cultural, religious and social backgrounds. Operating purely from this Japanese mentality, I may be embarrassing you. Please forgive me, if I am. At the same time, however, I would like for Prime Minister and you as well as all the Indian people to understand the sincerity with which I and other Japanese deal with this matter, hoping and praying that Netaji's soul and ashes may eternally rest in peace in his beloved homeland.

It would be greatly appreciated if you would convey our feelings to Prime Minister. Again, let me apologize to you for bothering you.

Thanking you very much,

Sincerely yours,

Tatuo / Largarhida
Tatsuo Hayashida

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Private Secretary to the Prime Minister February 22, 197 No PMZ 4815 800 8 Dear Sir, I am desired to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of November 16, 1978 addressed to Mr. H.S. Shah, Joint Secretary, to the Prime Minister. Yours faithfully, (N.S. Sreeraman) Mr. Tatsuo Hayashida, 38 21st Street 3-chome, Haruyosji Chuoku, Fukuoka, Japan.

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TOKYO. 9 March 1979 REF.

The Prime Minister The Republic of India New Delhi, India

Dear Sir:

It was my great honour that you received my party including Mrs. Fujiwara, Major Gento Yamaguchi, and Professor Yoji Akashi when we visited New Delhi last month. Allow me to offer my gratitude for your understanding and sympathy with which you listened to my plea about the disposition of Netaji Chandra Bose's ashes still lying in a temple in Tokyo. Your assurance to take care of the matter in one or two years was most gratifying to me, as I have dedicated most of my life to the cause of Netaji Bose and the Indian National Army during war years, contributing in a small measure to the independence of India. I shall never forget, for the rest of my life, the deepfelt emotion when you gave me the assurance.

May I express my heartfelt appreciation for your warm reception and offer my profoundest wishes for a better cooperation and friendship between India and Japan. I shall dedicate myself, for the rest of life, to friendly India-Japan relations in return for your sympathy and understanding with which you accorded my wishes.

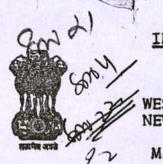
Very respectfully yours,

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General Iwai kai fujiwara, Ret. JSDF

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HARI VISHNU KAMATH
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
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IMMEDIATE (

WESTERN COURT, NEW DELHI-110001

March 15, 1979

Dear Prime Minister,

Please refer to your answer to my Unstarred
Question No. 2295 on 7.3.1979 regarding Netaji Subhas
Chandra Bose's Treasure Box. You have therein, with
reference to part (h) of my question, stated that
"There is no bar on Members of Parliament seeing
the Box and its contents. Arragements can be made
for the purpose and resealing it".

I would like to see the Box and its contents some time early next week. I shall be thankful if you will kindly let me know whether the arrangements can be made for the purpose on Wednesday, March 21,

say, between 4.00 and 5.00 P.M.

With warm Regards,

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Shri Morarji Desai, Prime Minister of India, New Delhi. Yours sincerely,

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PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

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We forward herewith a copy of a letter dated
March 15, 1979, addressed to the Prime Minister by
Shri H.V. Kamath, who has, in the context of the answer
given by Prime Minister to Unstarred Question No. 2295
in the Lok Sabha on 7th March, 1979 (copy enclosed),
asked for arrangements to be made forhim to see
Shri Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose's Treasure box now in
the custody of National Museum between 4.00 and 5.00 P.M.
on March 21, 1979. The Prime Minister has directed that
arrangements be made as requested by Shri Kamath.

Ministry of Education may kindly make necessary arrangements and inform Shri Kamath well in advance. The Prime Minister is separately writing to him that necessary arrangements are being made by the Ministry of Education and Social Welfare.

(N.S.Sreeraman)
Private Secretary
to the Prime Minister
19-3-1979

Ministry of Education (Department of Culture)

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P.M's Office u.o. No.F.2 (64) 79-PM dated: 19-3-1979

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New Delhi, March 20, 1979

My dear Kamath,

8m21 I have received your letter of March 15 and have asked the Ministry of Education and Social Welfare (Department of Culture) to make necessary arrangements for you to see the INA Treasure now in the custody of the National Museum. The Department will get in touch with you and let you know the arrangements made.

Yours sincerely,

Shri H.V. Kamath, MP, Western Court, Janpath, New Delhi.

(Morarji Desai)

Dr(Mrs) Kapila Vatsyayan

Point Educational Advisement सरकार किर्याण मंत्रालय

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION & SOCIAL WELFARE

(DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION)

New Delhi March 27, 1979

Dear Shri Sreeraman,

Please refer to your telephonic conversation regarding the visit of Shri H.V. Kamath, M.P. to the National Museum to see Netaji Subhash Bose treasures. I am enclosing a copy of communication which I have received. You will like to apprise the Prime Minister of the same.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Kapila Vatsyayan)

Shri N.S. Sreeraman, Private Secretary to the Prime Minister of India, New Delhi

For PM's informations.

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dential National Museum Janpath, New Delhi March 22, 1979

DrN.R. Banerjee Director

Dear Dr Vatsyayan,

This is to inform you that as desired by you I contacted Shri H.V. Kamath, M.P. late in the evening of the 20th March, 79 at his residence at the Western Court and assured him about the arrangements for showing him th Netaji Subhash Bose treasures in the National Museum. had also spoken to Shri Sreeraman, P.S. to the Prime Minister earlier and had acted on his advise about contacting Shri Kamath at his residence after his return from Parliament. As desired by Shri Kamath he was picked up at the Parliament House shortly before 4 p.m. yesterday and brought to the National Museum along with Shri Samar Guha and Shri N.D. Nathwani, MPs who accompanied him at his wish about 4.15 p.m. Thereafter the bag containing the treasures was opened by breaking open the seal and the contents were shown to the three members of Parliament. The contents were then repacked in their respective packages and sealed after they were put inside the container namely, a diplomatic bag of the Ministry of External Affairs and redeposited into the safe in the strong room of the National Museum.

In this connection I am enclosing a copy of the note of examination of the objects recorded by the three members of Parliament headed by Shri H.V. Kamath for your information and record.

With best regards.

Yours sincerely, Sd./-(N.R. Banerjee)

Dr (Smt.) Kapila Vatsyayan. Joint Educational Adviser, Department of Culture, New Delhi

Encl: one as above.

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The dealed cloth bag containing the steel box containing Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose's treasures contained in 15 packages and 2 in a gunny bag was opened today in our presence and the contents examined by us in the presence of the following officers of the National Museum.

- (1) Dr N.R. Banerjee Director
- (2) Dr P. Bene jee, Assistant Director
- (3) Kumari R. Vanaja Keeper (Numismatics)
- (4) Shri B.L. Sharma Administrative Officer
- (5) Dr V.P. Dwivedi, Keeper (Public Relations)
- (6) Shri Aditya Narain, Dy. Keeper
- (7) Smt. Sital Puri Senior Technical Assistant

besides two member of group D (Shri Hari Singh and Shri Kashmir Singh).

The packages were put back and sealed in our presence.

Sd./-H.V. Kamath N.P. Nathwani Samarguha UNITY

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HEAD OFFICE:
A-25, CHITTARANJAN PARK
NEW DELHI - 110019

Respected Uncle Moranjibhai, 32. Canning Lome

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The very short interview I had with you on 3 rd April 1979 has convined me that you would continue to do what you consider to be good for the country. Hence this appeal to you.

It is regrettable that the previous Governments of India had neglected to recognise the signal service rendered by Netaji Subash Chandra Bose to the Motherland. It is encouraging to see that there has been some recognition of his service at Governments level after the advent of the Janata Government headed by you. But a lot of things remain to be done and we appeal to you to see that, to start with, action is taken on the following lines without loss of time:-

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- A full-size statue of NetaJi be installed in front of the Red-Fort which was the goal of the Indian National Army;
- (b) His birthday; 23rd January, be declared a public holiday; if this is not feasible, at least schools& colleges all over the country should be closed, so that students can organise rellies and spread Netaji's message of unity, faith and sacrifice;
- (c) A suitable piece of land in New Delhi be alloted to the Netaji Mission so that a centre of the Mission can be started immediately in the capital;
- (d) A National Trust be formed to take over, look after and develop the Netaji Bhavan at Calcutta, Janakinath Bhavan at Cuttack and Jagannath Dham at Puri.

Today, more than ever, there is a crying need for propagation of Netaji's message of unity, faith and sacrifice among the people of India, specially among the rural masses. Fortunately, the very mention of the hero's name can inspire and electrify large numbers of people. We are indeed very happy to note that you have given a rural slant to the Government's activities. We in the Netaji Mission shall also strive for rural upliftment and Cooprate with the Government.

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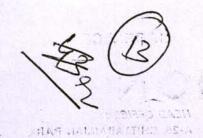
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General Secretary,

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New Delhi.

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No.1127-PMO/79

New Delhi, April 12, 1979

Dear Lalitaben,

Please refer to your letter of April 4, 1979 regarding Netaji Subash Bose. So far as the statue is concerned, I think the best course would be for the Netaji Mission to raise funds. Once the funds are raised, the question of selecting a suitable site can be gone into and you can approach the Ministry of Works & Housing for the purpose. As regards holiday on his birthday, we have already a number of holidays and it is possible that similar requests might follow for holidays in honour of birthdays of other national figures. In these circumstances I do not think we can add to the list. As regards the piece of land in New Delhi for the Mission, you may approach the Ministry of Works and Housing who have made provision for such contigencies in their laws for disposal of lands. As regards your proposal about the National Trust, this will have to be a non-official endeavour and I suggest that you consult some friends and form a society or trust and go ahead with it in the normal manner.

I am suggesting this method of dealing with the request that you have made because I feel that such projects should be non-official ventures without bringing Government into them. This appears to me to be a better and easier course to follow.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Miss Lalita Bose, General Secretary, All India Netaji Mission, 32, Canning Lane, New Delhi- 110 001

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To The External Affairs Minister,
Ministry of External Affairs,
New Delhi.

Sub : Happenings in the U.S.S.R.

Sir.

We are really perplexed and confused since we read in the Illustrated Weekly of India (Jan.28, 79) that Netaji Subhaschandra Bose is ALIVE. If the facts stated in the weekly are true, (or if they aren't true, they can be verified) then Netaji should be brought to this country aliv Would you kindly find the source of information of this write (Satyabrata Ghosh)

We would like to mention yet another instance of Russian highhandeness. You must be aware of the Babu Kople case (Onlooker, April I6, 79) A student of Lumumba varsity, he had to escape to East Germany for his life. "

which is received in my methertengue Kenknni every week has given the story in a distorted manner, far from facts, in it issue dt. 25.I.79. This concocted story would put to shame any fiution-witersays, "The Delhi daily Patriot's foreign news section investigated & found that after Babu Kople was asked to leave the University, he himself went to West Berlin and informed them that he was there!

It further states that some ill-intentioned news papers made capital out of this happening; that some other
papers accused KGB of kidnapping him. At least one paper
compared Kople to Alexander Solzenistyn. It adds in the final
paragraph that, in reality. Kople was dismissed from the Unive
rsity for not studying, and that there are earlier examples
of studets having been dismissed for the same reason.

We hope your goodself will intervene to get Netaji's release if he is alive, and we believe he is.

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Yours in good faith,
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D.O.Mo.7(10)/79/D(O.II GOVERNMENT OF ENDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE. New Delhi, the 6th Sept.,

G. RADHAKRISHNAN. DEPUTY SECRETARY (0)

Tel:372425

Dear Shri

Please refer to this Ministry's U.O. note No.7(10)/79/M393/D(0.II), dated the 2nd August, 1979, and subsequent D.O. reminder dated 20th August, 1979, regarding implementation of the Assurance given during VII Session of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 7288 on 17.4.1979.

It is requested that the requisite information may please be furnished to this Ministry immediately to enable us to fulfill the Assurance.

Yours sincerely,

Shri R.K. Duggal, Director Historical Division, Ministry of External Affairs, Patiala House, New Delhi.

N.O.O.

Copy to: Shri Kishan Chand, S.O. Prime Minister's Secretariat, South Block, New Delhi. It is requested that the information requested for may kindly be sent immediately.

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From: J.C. Ray Telephone:01-204-2437. To October 1, 19 Li .S.Reddy His Excellency The President of India Rastrapati Bhavan New Delhi. INDIA. Your Excellency. Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose I remember reading a glowing tribute from you to Netaji on the occasion of a special ceremony in the Indian Parliament. You were also reported to have requested certain Heads of State to kindly enlighten Indian people about Netaji with any facts not yet known to us. This great initiative in India was followed up in U.K. Indians, Pakistanis, Bangladeshis, and many others believe that Ketaji is alive; they also wish Netaji's reappearence in public. Netaji's India is undivided India as before 14/15 August, 1947. Netaji's leadership and image have always been wholesome unifying force for Indian people of undivided India, and for S.E. Asia. History, as we know, tells us that the Indian people did not consent to the partition of their country. There have been lot of doubts even in British mind as to whether the

partion of India was at all necessary. Subsequent facts prove that the partition was a bad mistake, and only brought continuous misery and problems for the people of the sub-continent. Friends have been made enemies. The forces of disintegration and disharmony

have become stronger since partition. Continuous heavy foreign aids since 1947 kmls one to the three parts of undivided India are not very sound in terms of viability. But the undiv India was a viable country all through the ages. Ketaji did warn us about the result of partition. It is time that we work to reunite the entire Indian sub-continent.

The great powers like U.K., U.S.A., U.S.S.R., France, who have been helping India so much since Independance in so many ways, may also come forward and bless this endeavour to unite the sub-continent. Such endeavour for unity will certainly create tremendous goodwill and strengthen the forces of peace and harmony all over the world. The great success of The Commonwealth, the Common Market, and the United Nations indicates that such unite the Indian sub-continent will be a healthy o.c.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely, (Jagadis Chandra Ray

P.S:I am copying this letter to Lord Carrington, The Foreign Secretary of U.H., and to some respected leaders of India and abroad.

> Copy to Mr. Charan Singh, The Prime Minister Of India and the header of Janata (5) for his Kind information. With Kindest regards.